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NOTEBOOK

(By Lee Page)

## THE PARK AVE. NEWS

Weather. Various.  
Sporadic. A boxing contest took place in Pude's Slinkies back yard with Pude's boxing gloves, Ed Wernick boxing Skinny Martin, Jonny Wilson boxing Pude's Slinkies, Benny Fotta boxing Sam Craws, and Skinny Martin was last starting to box Pude's Slinkies for the championship of his back yard when the gate opened and Reddy Merry came in and the contest stopped, everybody saying they were tired.

My is soda water. A kid with spectacles on? Because they both come in glasses. Good look.

Sisley News. It is with grate pleasure that we announce an addition to the Skinny Martins family. Three black cats have been increased by 5 kittens, none of them looking like their mother.

## HOW WONDERFUL

Rome by Skinny Martin.

The elephant is a cornish beast.

And the ant is teeny weeny.

And you wouldn't of herd of the Tower

It is strafe inated of leeny.

Advertisements. Brite boy - ants to make 50 cents or more after school every day by doing little work that won't take more than a hour.

Intitling facts. Chewing gums is said to be made out of old horse hoofs. This seems to be a arguement in favor of automobiles.

Personals. Wats the idee of carrying so many pencils in your outside coat pocket. Is Hunt? We no you got pencils.

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MOTHER'S DAY

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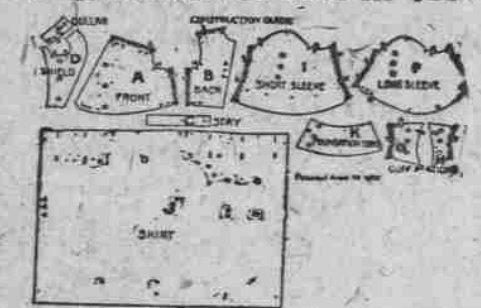
Easy & Practical  
Home Dress Making  
Lessons

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by Pictorial Review

## Embroidered Voiles Much Worn.

front edge of the waist about 1 inch deep. Then gather the upper edge of front, and lower edges of front and back between double "TT" perforations; gather 2 inches above lower edge. Close under-arm and shoulder seams as notched. Adjust stay to position underneath gathers, center-backs even, small "o" perforation in stay at under-arm seam and bring front edge to center-front.

Long Sleeve—Close seams of sleeve and cuff as notched leaving back seam of cuff free below small "o" perforation and finish for class.



ing. Gather sleeve between double "TT" perforations. Sew cuff to sleeve as notched; bring the front seam of cuff to seam of sleeve and bring the back seam of cuff to large "O" perforation to sleeve. Sew sleeve in armhole, notches and small "o" perforations even easing in any fullness.

If the plaited skirt is used, cut off the left back end along double "oo" perforations. If trimmed with smocking, use a pattern for the trimming and smock the space between plait, creating on line of slot perforations, bring the folded edges to corresponding small "o" perforations; stitch to position any depth desired leaving edges to left of center-front free above single "o" perforation for an opening; close seam. Turn hem at lower edge of skirt on small "o" perforations.

Adjust skirt to position stitching upper edge over upper row of gathers in waist, center-fronts and center oaks even.

Sizes, 34 to 44 inches bust. Price, 15 cents. Smocking No.

The summer wardrobe can not afford to be without a smocked frock. This design is embroidered voile, is trimmed with a vest and collar of white organdy.

Here is a very attractive way to make one of the embroidered voiles in such great vogue this season. The waist closes in front over a vest of white organdy and the skirt is trimmed with smocking. This may be replaced by gathers, where one is inclined toward stoutness. In medium size the dress requires 3 1/2 yards 22-inch material, with 3/4 yard 36-inch organdy for the trimming.

In making the waist, bear in mind that the center is indicated by lines in the waist, center-fronts and center oaks even.

Pictorial Review Costume No. Price, 15 cents. Smocking No.

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LAURA JEAN LIBBY'S DAILY TALKS ON  
HEART TOPICS

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## DISCONTENTED HEARTS.

"We have many goodly days to see. The liquid drops of tears that you have shed Shall once again transferred to orient pearl!"

Advantaging their loan, with interest, Oftentimes double gain of happiness."

Was there ever a woman—no matter how many blessings surrounded her—who did not give herself up completely to a fit of the blues now and then? They have indulged this habit—for it is nothing less than a habit—from girlhood up until at last it has taken such a hold upon them they are unable to shake off these depressions. The girl who is abundant in health and the strength and buoyancy of youth who has that tendency will tell you that she is wretched because it often occurs to her that she is not appreciated by either her home folks or friends, and when she sits down to think it all over it ends in a case of the blues that lasts for days. The woman happily married to a good, deserving husband who is putting forth every effort to keep her in a comfortable home and free from the cares that worry him will tell you she is more often than not wretchedly discontented and has the blues because he buries himself in his newspaper of an evening without exchanging a single word with her for hours at a time.

Girls who might be pardoned for having depressing thoughts, but who fight nobly against it, are those physically weak and defective who look up through their hair into God's face with brave smiles, refusing to allow discontent to get a hold upon their hearts.

The splendid army of working girls should be an example of cheerfulness to the women in good homes who have nothing to do but nurse their grievances. These working girls, each and every one, know the value of a smile and how to radiate cheerfulness. If you put the question to them whether or no they ever have fits of the blues, the smile will die out of their eyes as they answer gravely that in the business world there is no place for the girl or woman who gives free rein to fits of melancholy and that good nature, happy mood and a genial disposition in general are the assets she depends on not only to keep her position, but to forge ahead. There are too many helpless ones at home, usually dependent upon her, to encourage fits of the blues. On the other hand, she cultivates gratitude, even joy, that there is so little friction in her everyday life of toil.

It is only the idlers or those who have little or nothing to do who rail secretly over really insignificant affairs. The women wedded to men who drink up the greater part of their wages, leaving the family at home to fight starvation, ejection from the home that shelters them and with insufficient clothes to cover them, brave the night's demons, discomfited by their shoulders to the wheel and live a dream of the glorious duties they are performing in keeping their children at school and the hidden reward that will surely be theirs later on.

The childless wife, who has longed for the clasp of little arms around her neck and childish, loving lips pressed to her own, encounters battles which she must fight bravely to outwit attacks of the blues. Pessimical women accomplish this by answering the cry of their hearts with this truth: "Whatever should be will be. What ever is, is best. He who denies their earnest prayers knows best."

Even those who have known and lost love can be made to realize that the heart has been enriched by treasured memories of the hours when it was tenderest, truest and at its best.

If but one blessing is given us, we should be grateful for that one, shut out discontent and cultivate a happy disposition, though we have it not, and always look on the bright side.

MISS LIBBY'S REPLIES  
TO YOUR LETTERS

Miss Libby's answers to your letters. Correct name and address must be given to insure attention. Initials printed. Write short letters on one side of paper only. Use ink. Personal letters cannot be answered. Address Miss Laura Jean Libby, No. 916 President St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

THREE ENGAGED  
TO THE SAME MAN

B. H. J. and M. white: "We are three chums. Unknowingly we became engaged to the same man. One girl received a diamond ring; others were given ruby rings. When one of us is alone with him he vows he loves that one truly and no one else. How can jealousy be overcome? Is a girl to receive presents from man if they are not engaged?"

If a girl has any confidence in such a deceptive would-be lover, better get his girls together where she is and a girl out which is the right choice. Breach of promise can thus be avoided. Jealousy is a green-eyed monster, to be kept out of the heart. Presents should not be accepted from men if not engaged.

NOT A SERIOUS TANGLE.

R. M. writes: "I am 16 past. Is that too young to be escorted by boys of 15 and 17? One is best. Seem to think much of me. Seventeen is jealous of the other. Which is the better to consider? Both are of affectionate, nice dispositions—westerners. Think this right to answer, please?"

Your fan— seems taken up by these youths. Boys like those who are not constantly thinking of them. Sixteen has much to learn. Eighteen is better

age for romance to start. Heartaches may be less frequent if one is older and wiser.

## SPEAKS NOT OF LOVE.

A. C. asks: "May I have your aid? Have been going with a bashful bachelor for months. He shows me great affection. Comes to church, sits by me attentively. Takes me any place I wish to go. Never goes with any one else. Sends pretty loving cards, but never talks of heart sentiment. Think he cares for me as I do for him?"

He may require time to make up his mind to learn if how your disposition and his would be suited to go through life together. Both appear to care for each other.

FOURTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GIFTS

E. writes: "It is important to know soon what is given for fourth wedding anniversary. Please reply at once."

Fourth anniversary gifts are fruits and flowers.

## CORNER FOR COOKS

## CREOLE SAUCE

Two tablespoons of chopped onion, four tablespoons of chopped green pepper, and two tablespoons of butter for five minutes. Add 1 cup of canned tomatoes or two fresh tomatoes, cut in pieces, five olives, stoned and quartered, half a cup of boiling water. Cook for several minutes, add pepper and salt to taste and a tablespoon of vinegar.

A border of cooked noodles makes a nice accompaniment for a steak served in this fashion.

## RASPBERRY JAM CAKE

One and one-half cups brown sugar, one cup sour cream, in which dissolve one teaspoon soda, two and one-half cups sifted flour, four eggs, one-half teaspoon each cinnamon and nutmeg. Beat thoroughly; lastly add one cup raspberry jam. Bake in two layers. Use boiled icing flavored with lemon for filling.

## Fruit Jelly

One package gelatine, 2 large cups sugar, 1 cup shredded pineapple, 2 lemons, 4 oranges, 1-2 cup preservation of salt, 1-4 teaspoon of pepper, 1 can also be used.

Cover contents of one package of gelatine with one cup of cold water. Let stand till soft. Add one quart of boiling water, two large cups of sugar. Strain and let stand until it begins to thicken. Then stir in the pineapple, juice of the two lemons, the four oranges cut into small pieces, the one-half pound of figs and one-half pound of walnuts, which have been chopped fine and then add one-half cup of preserved ginger. Grapes and bananas may also be added. The recipe is enough for ten of twelve people.

## CRULLERS

One cup sugar, 2 well beaten eggs, 3 tablespoons melted butter, 1-2 cups milk, little nutmeg, 2 cups flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, pinch of salt. Use only flour enough for a soft dough and handle very little. Fry in hot fat. A blue ribbon.

## HAMBURG STEAK

Cut up a small onion and fry brown in butter, then add it to a pound of hamburger steak. Roll out about four crackers and add to the mixture also a cup of milk; salt and pepper to taste. Fry brown in butter.

## CORN BOATS

Boil six well-shaped sweet potatoes until tender. Cool, remove skin and cut in halves lengthwise. Scoop out the inside of each. Rub inside and out with soft butter, dust with salt and pepper. Fill with corn pulp, well seasoned; cover with a little white sauce, the sauce, with buttered crumbs and brown in a moderate oven.

## LIMA BEAN OUTLETS

Soak 1-2 pound of dried lima beans over night, drain, cover with cold water, add 1-4 teaspoon of soda and cook until tender. Drain again, press through a ricer, add 1-2 teaspoon of salt, 1-4 teaspoon of pepper, 1 beaten egg, 2 tablespoons of minced parsley, 1 tablespoon of butter melted, and if necessary, enough cream to make of the proper consistency to

shape. Form into cutlets, roll in the crumbs, dip in beaten egg, diluted with 1 tablespoon of cold water, roll again in crumbs, let stand one or more hours and fry in deep hot fat.

## ORANGE BREAD PUDDING

Soak 1-3-4 cups of stale bread crumbs in 1 cup of cold water for 20 minutes; add 1 cup of sugar, 1 cup of orange juice, the juice of 1 lemon, 2 whole eggs and the yolk of another slightly beaten, 2 tablespoons of melted butter, and 1-4 teaspoon of salt. Bake in a buttered baking dish until firm in the center. Cool slightly, cover with a meringue made with the beaten whites of 2 eggs, 2 tablespoons of powdered sugar and 1-2 teaspoon of orange extract, then brown lightly in the oven.

Please Observe What  
Replaces Fur Wraps

Mustard colored pussy willow taffeta, lined with white silk, features this gorgeous evening wrap, modeled to replace winter ones. The chic ruffles of taffeta plaited are bordered with black velvet ribbon, a wider kind being used for the quaint bow. This design may be reproduced in any becoming material.

## TODAY'S POEM

## CLARION

God send a prophet tongued with flame  
To warn the Nation's self-content;  
Lest writ in words of vivid shame  
Ye read, eternal banishment.

Dread banishment from those High Halls  
Your fathers builded wide and deep.  
Once, twice and thrice the trumpet

How long shall ye lie bound in sleep?  
The skies are dark with homing ghosts  
With Belgian blood the world is red,  
Through the salt sea in piteous hosts  
Still troop the phantoms of your dead!

Shrill-voiced your chosen leaders cry  
The need of freedom for your gold.  
Thank God the men at Concord lie  
Too deep to know what ye have sold.

Was it for this ancient hand  
Carved out the riches of your soil?  
Then let the sea blot out the land.  
The storm blot out the wasted toil!

Blot out the dream of Washington,  
Blot out the vision Lincoln knew,  
Blot out the hope of air and sun,  
Bring back the night they over-threw!

Once, twice and thrice the trumpet calls,  
The sword is high, the sword is  
Awake, O watchman on the walls,  
And lift your dead hands to the drum!

—Harold Trowbridge Pulsifer in the Outlook.

American marines were landed at San Domingo.

SILK WORM JUMPS OUT OF HIS  
SKIN IN VAIN EFFORT TO KEEP  
DOWN PRICES OF HIS PRODUCT

But the Price of Silk Soars Until Calico Comes Into Popular Favor—It's All Because of the War—Cost More Than Doubles In Short Time.

"The price of silk is going up!"

Like a dark cloud on a clear day comes the thundering force of the announcement. Like a cannon, shot the word that Miss 1916 must descend the scale from silks and satins to calicoes and pay well for the appeasement. Of course it's all due to the war. Who would have thought though, that because Europe chose to go to war, a majority of the women of this country would have to do without silk hose, silk shirts, silk dresses and in fact everything silk, and revert to the more plebeian, and substantial, cotton ones? For that is what the situation has amounted to.

Silkmen were hopped for beyond the reach of the average modern girl who in the spirit of the fox of old, can only say as she glances longingly from her cotton hose to those of the better material: "Oh, well, they do run so anyway."

For the first time since the beginning of the war, the American woman has felt the sting of its far reaching havoc, for silks are dear to her heart and to have to forswear them because they cannot be afforded is indeed a sacrifice.

It is strangely true that the woman who wears a silk shirt has infinitely more confidence in her own ability than she who is not so garbed. It is likewise true that the refining influences of culture are more likely to be felt through the meshes of a silk shirt than in any other way. There is something in the touch of the garment which suggests the lady. Surely the first step in the conversion of the untamed creature into a beautifully refined young woman, a theme so popular with playwrights, should be to give her a silk shirt.

We are told that the scarcity of the raw material coupled with an alarming lack of dyestuffs, has sent the price of silk bounding up rapidly with but little hope of its doing anything but ascending until several of the powers in Europe shall have laid down their arms and taken up once again, the peaceful occupations of ordinary life.

Silkmen tell us that raw silk, which before the war, was considered expensive at \$3.50 per pound is now bringing \$7 for the same amount with every indication that by August it will have reached the \$10 mark.

## Used Silk in Guns

Italy's plunge into the war has greatly crippled the silk trade for it was in Europe that Italy had the world's finest silk was produced. Next in importance to Italy was France, but men in France and Italy have no time now to devote to cultivation of the simple silk worm. Greater things are at stake than that milady shall be luxuriously clad.

It is said that what first caused the silk supply to run out so quickly was the crop in China. In the early part of the year, the Chinese government had to devote the situation somewhat this will only help out in the coarser grades of the material.

Added to this there is of course the dye situation. Where formerly 35,000 tons of dye were imported yearly into the United States but 7,800 pounds are all that can now be obtained in the same time and there is great need of even that small amount diminishing. Indigo blue which in ordinary days brought fifteen cents a pound is now valued at \$3.50 a pound and it is said that this is not the limit, that amount to be had in the whole United States.

The increase at present on retail price of silk articles is 35 per cent, and it is constantly rising. This means that all things fashioned from silk which a few months ago sold at \$1 are now bringing \$1.35 while \$10 articles are being purchased at \$13.50.

One of the most unusual phases of the situation is that perhaps never before was there such a demand for silk. Fashion decrees silk in its finest weaves for the favored Georgette crepes, the Italian silk dresses, coats and underwear and hats. Every new design shows the use of yards and yards of the precious stuff.

## Silk Worm Does His Best.

Not that the silk worm is to blame for the shortage. He, poor fellow, has been doing his very best, to fill the demand, literally "jumping out of his skin" four times, in his endeavor to eat enough mulberry leaves to make good thread and in the end giving up his life that these may not be cut by the little moth into which his earthly body would be transformed were he to live. Martyr though he is, no choice form of death is accorded him for he is ignominiously baked in an oven until dead.

Ever since the 16th century when the culture of silkworms was first introduced into Europe from China, it has been one of the leading industries of the Mediterranean countries. Before the war Italy led the world in silk production with France as a close second. Spain, of an inferior quality, also raised in Syria, China, Japan and India. Many attempts have been made to raise it in this country none of which were successful as the culture of silkworms requires a high employment of a large number of careful but cheap laborers for a few months of the year only.

In August or September each female moth lays from 200 to 300 eggs which hatch during the following May when the mulberry tree begins to leaf. In many districts where the worms are raised the hatching and feeding takes place in the cottages of the people who follow that occupation.

It's a very hungry caterpillar that comes into the world after his residence in an egg all winter for during

the month that he is allowed to live as a worm, with his 29,000 brothers and sisters, an average hatch, he manages to consume about one ton of full grown mulberry leaves. In fact he eats so much that every few days, usually four times during the month he sheds his skin, appearing in a brand new, bigger and more stretchable one each time.

Becomes a Moth. When his voracious appetite has at last been appeased, he bethinks himself of sleep and begins to climb about slowly on any convenient twigs, looking for a suitable place to which to attach himself. This found, he establishes himself in a comfortable position and then from two tiny holes in his head begins to spin a glutinous substance from which will develop the slender filaments stick together, side by side, forming a flat thread which the worm, by moving his head, forms about his body like a ball of thread wrapped around him. He passes until he is completely imbedded in the covering.

If left to himself, the insect would in two or three weeks begin to bore his way out, appearing as a feeble little ashy white moth. As the emerging process cuts the silken threads, only enough cocoons are left untouched as will produce sufficient eggs for the next season's crop of worms. The others are placed in heated ovens until there is no longer life and then the cocoons are thrown into hot water to effect the natural gum of the silk. Later the silk filaments are passed through several glass eyes, crossed and formed into a single thread. One cocoon will produce generally 600, but seldom more than 1,000 yards of this silk.

Some of the silk is so fine that there are 600,000 yards to one pound. Of course silk, as it is worn, is weighed. Dyers defend this plan of weighing it on the ground that it is merely a method of giving a firmer finish to the material but there is always a strong element of deception in the whole proceeding. Then too, the durability of the material is much impaired. Lyons silk dyers weight their silk about 400 pounds to 100 pounds, that is 100 pounds of raw silk weighs 600 pounds after they have dyed it.

## No Hope Until War.

Apparently there is little hope for the situation until long after Mars has gathered up his hosts and disappeared from the fields of Europe for it will be many months before things readjust themselves so that the dwellers in war devastated hamlets of France and the battle bereft towns of Italy take up again the tranquil work of silk worm raising.

In the meantime the average American woman, who has not a quantity of money, but who in the past has been accustomed to simple luxuries, must forego the wearing of silk. No longer can she enjoy the sweet contentment of wearing a silk shirt, no longer will the silk gown be her portion. No longer, will the hold morning breeze seek to disclose the silk clad ankle of the factory girl going her way to work. Cotton, or at best linen, must do its best to cling at ease where once its favored rival was so proudly worn. A word to the wise: If you have an silk hose, cherish them as for silk underwear, count it among your choicest possessions, while if you own a silk dress, away with it, immediately to lock and key, there to remain for only great occasions for the price of silk is going up."

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

A 12 pound baby boy arrived Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tober of 51 McKinley avenue. Mother and son are getting along well.

Carlos F. Helms, assistant cashier of the department of finance of the local postoffice, is spending a four days' vacation at his farm in Black Rock.

## GRANDMOTHER'S MEDICINES.

Our grandmothers were wise in the virtues of the herbs of the field. They used to gather and store roots and herbs and used them to cure the ailments of their families—wormwood, thoroughwort, sage, rue, camomile—the list might go on and on of the healing plants with which they made us familiar.

Now their granddaughters get the extracts from just such good old roots and herbs, from the nearest drugstore, ready prepared for use. One such medicine, which women find best for their own ailments, is the well known Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.—Adv.

## DO YOU KNOW THAT

Light promotes cleanliness?

A clean mouth is essential to good health?

Physical training in childhood is the foundation of adult health?

The U. S. Public Health Service issues publications on hygiene and sanitation for free distribution?

Isolation is the most efficient means of controlling leprosy?

Headache is Nature's warning that the human machine is running badly?

Bulletins may kill thousands—flies tens of thousands?

Obesity menaces longevity.

A circular threatening a general strike if conscription is attempted, was issued by the Trades and Labor Congress of the Dominion of Canada.

Forty thousand miners and coke workers of the H. C. Frick Coke Co. were notified of a wage increase of from 5 to 10 per cent., effective May 8.

FLOWERS FOR MOTHER'S DAY JOHN RECK & SON.